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 $\angle OAG = \angle ODH$ . ... GA = DH. Similarly CG = BH.

AG+BH=CG+DH.

- $\therefore \frac{1}{2}h(AG+BH)=\frac{1}{2}h(CG+DH).$
- $\therefore$  Area AGHD=area CGHD.

Good solutions of this problem were received from Professors Wm. Symmonds, and Cooper D. Schmitt.

This problem has proved to be a very interesting one and for that reason we have given it extra space. The proposition to which Prof. Ellwood has given a proof explanatory to the proposition under consideration is known as the proposition of Menelaus. See Halsted's Elementary Synthetic Geometry, p. 117. Editor.

## PROBLEMS.

42. Proposed by G. I. HOPKINS, Instructor in Mathematics and Physics in High School, Manchester, New Hampshire.

If the bisectors of two angles of a triangle are equal the triangle is isosceles.

[The term bisector in this theorem means the line which divides an angle into two equal parts and terminates in the opposite side.]

43. Proposed by J. F. W. SCHEFFER, Hagerstown, Maryland.

The consecutive sides of a quadrilateral are a, b, c, d. Supposing its diagonals to be equal, find them and also the area of the quadrilateral.

## CALCULUS.

Conducted by J. M. COLAW, Monterey, Va. All contributions to this department should be sent to him.

## SOLUTIONS OF PROBLEMS.

27. Proposed by Professor G. B. M. ZERR, A. M., Principal of High School. Staunton, Virginia.

A runs around the circumference of a circular field with velocity m feet: B starts from the centre with velocity n > m feet to catch A. The straight line joining their positions always passes through the centre. Find the equation to the curve described by B, the distance he runs and the time occupied.

I. Solution by A. H. HOLMES, Brunswick, Maine, H. W. DRAUGHON, Olio. Mississippi, and the PROPOSER.

Let A be the point of starting of the pursued, P, B, the position of the pursuer and pursued at any time.

Let 
$$OA = a$$
,  $OP = r$ ,  $\angle BOA = \theta$ ,  $\frac{m}{n} = u$ , are  $OP = s$ .